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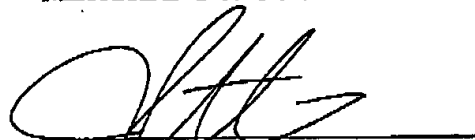
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The present patent application claims priority from copending United States Provisional Patent Application number 60/276,101, entitled System and Method for Unloading Namespace Devices, filed on March 15, 2001. --

This preliminary amendment is submitted to claim priority to a currently pending provisional patent application. No new matter is added. Applicant respectfully requests the entry of this preliminary amendment.

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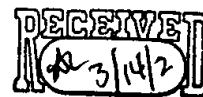
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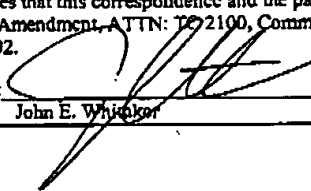
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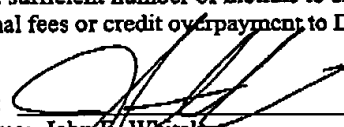
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